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ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Dec. 28--After a cold week and a half the weather has warmed up some. The coldest we had was 25° below zero. The snow has been beautiful. It helped insulate around the house. Lots of people had frozen pipes, etc.

The small house on the George Marber place was moved to Ben J.K. Helmuth's place a couple of weeks ago.

Lavern Yoders & Nelson Dieners, with Reuben Jesses as drivers, are spending two weeks in Phoenix, Ariz.

The Lewis Diener family spent Christmas Day at her parents', Will Yoders in Shipshewana, In. They returned home the next day.

John Gingerich, Ky., spent the Christmas weekend in the parental Abe L. Gingerich home.

Willis Millers and William Schrock from Milroy, In. spent Christmas with family and friends. Williams ate dinner with the Elmer Miller family at Kenneth E. Millers'.

Paul Stutzmans moved into their new house at his parents', John J. Stutzmans.

Paul Gingerich is spending a couple of weeks at her parents' home in Geauga Co., Ohio.

Owen Schrock and 5 oldest children of Ivan Schrock spent the Christmas weekend in Seymour, Mo. visiting Harvey Schrock, returning home Tues. or Wed.

Mrs. Edwin N. Schrock

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Dec. 28--The temp. moderated to a warm 35°-40° temp. yesterday after a week of extreme cold, with the lowest at 24° below and a wind chill factor of 60 to 80° below. Lots of pipes froze and diesel engines couldn't be started. One dairy farmer's Freon froze in the line so that he couldn't cool his milk. So they set buckets of milk outside to freeze solid and dumped it back in the tank to cool the milk.

Owen Schrock's family and several of Ivan Schrock's children spent Christmas time at Harvey Schrock's at Seymour, Mo.

Kenneth Kauffman's family of Fla. and Marvin Bontreger's family of Kokomo, Ind. spent Christmas with their parents, Ervin S. Kauffmans.

A son was born on Dec. 24 to Omer E. and Susanna Jess, named Raymond. The little lad has 7 bros. and 3 sisters. Grandparents are Ervin Jesses and Mrs. (Ben) Sovilla Gingerich. Great-grandparents are Dan G. Kaufmans.

Alva J. Masts and family of Middlebury, Ind. spent Christmas with home-folks, the Andy J. Kaufman family. They made a call here early Christmas morning. Sorry to have missed them, as I and two of the children had already left to spend the day at my mother's.

Yesterday the ship container was loaded at Coach House with garage doors, then pulled by truck to Chicago to be loaded on the train for New Jersey to be transferred on a ship headed for Valencia, Spain.

It will take approx. 4 weeks to get there after leaving Arthur. These doors were made to order by Willis Miller, Jerry Kaufman, Vernon Schrock, Howard Helmuth, Terry Jones and my husband.

Mrs. Andy Jess

ANNA, ILLINOIS**Mt. Pleasant Congregation**

Dec. 26--Temperature today reached 40°. Last week it was as low as -20° with wind chill factor -40°. Lots of cars were setting along the road due to the extreme cold. Also, winter Bible School at Ewing needed to be cancelled twice because of inclement weather.

The Jacob Zook family from Zanesville, Ohio visited the area Dec. 22-25. Their son Ivan is our upper grade teacher. Ivan just announced his engagement to Melody Schrock (Lee's) also from Zanesville. They plan to marry June 2, 1990.

Vernon and Anna Weaver from Orchardville flew to the Bahama Islands to visit their son Jerry who is serving a six-month term in the mission work there.

The Robert Martin family is looking for the Marvin Good family to arrive today. Mrs. Robert M. is their daughter and they are from Ohio.

Most of Harvey Weavers' children came home over Christmas. Janet and Eileen came from Maryland; Donald and Joan (Weaver) Yoder came from Georgia and son Ernest came from Missouri. Daughter Velma, married to James Brubaker (Pa.) took a trip with her husband to the Philippines to visit James' parents. The other 3 sons, Glen, Richard, Clair and their families live in this area.

Marvin Weaver

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS**Pinecraft, Florida**

Dec. 26--A beautiful chilly morning after a shower of rain. Temp. at 50°. Our coldest was 28° and some even saw snow. We're having unusual weather, same as up north, for so early in the winter.

Sam Petersheim is slowly improving and is still on crutches. We visited them Mon. evening. David Hershberger and wife were also there. A group of girls came there to sing Christmas carols for them, which we all enjoyed.

All day relief sewing was at the Tourist Mennonite Church Wednesday.

Mrs. Wilbur Rocke left Wed. via plane to attend the wedding of her grandson in Missouri. Plans are to return tomorrow.

Son Ervin, wife and children of Roanoke, Ill. arrived at our house Fri. evening. They kept ahead of the freezing rain. They are spending school vacation here. They are living in the Aaron Miller house.

Harold Kennell, wife and children of Shelby Co., Illinois are also in Florida, came Sunday morning. They had slick roads. They drove 100 miles in 6 hours, which is hard on nerves. Harold left via plane this morning. The rest are staying until this weekend.

Dec. 27 - Still on the cool side. The frosts we had were pretty hard on things. Our fruit did not freeze.

There are church services every morning this week from 8:00 to 9:00 at the Tourist Menn. Church. Enos Witmer of Daviess Co., Ind. preached this morning.

David Yoders of Ind. and Danny Kuhns of Arthur, Ill. spent last eve. with Ervin Kennells.

Frank Zimmerman and wife and two of their children and families of Penn. are vacationing in Pinecraft.

Romain Yoder and wife of Goshen, Ind. are also in Pinecraft, staying in his folks' home, the Lester Yoders. Lester and wife have not come yet. Mary is still recuperating from her fall.

We had our Christmas dinner at our home Monday. Mrs. Reuben Kennell

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Dec. 26--The weather seems more moderate to what our 24° below was with that sharp wind last week, but still cold. A nice cover of snow.

First is my belated news of my welcome callers of Sat., Dec. 16th, when Bish. Enos Mulletts and sons Ora, Dannie and Melvin and wives and Mrs. Lydia (Mullett) Yoder stopped in for a call before going home. They are from Amherst, Wi. and had been to Huntingdon, Tn. to the wedding of their grandson and nephew Ura Mullett. They also stopped at Glasgow, Ky. before coming here. They came to Amzy Kaufman's around 11:00 Fri. night and had breakfast there before coming here.

The Herb Miller (deceased) children had their Christmas get-together here at Monroe's yesterday, while Perry Hochstetler and dau. Dolores brought dinner here for me and spent the day.

Kenneth and Marian Hochstetlers and son went to Ind. to spend Christmas with his parents, the Earl Hochstetlers.

John Earl and Barbara Sue Kuhns went to Bloomfield, Iowa Sat. to spend Christmas vacation with homefolks, the Menno Kuhnses.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS**Pleasant View Church**

Dec. 26--Being zero this morning feels good towards the 10°, 15° and 22° below zero we were having last week.

Darrel and Judy Herschberger and son Clinton welcome Carrie Nicole into their home, born Dec. 20th. Grandparents are Ray and Ella Bontrager and Sam and Dorothy Herschberger. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Katie Miller, Menno Herschbergers and Tobie Mast. The great-great-grandmother is Mrs. Fannie Beachy, who is 102 yrs. old.

Sat. eve. the youth of Pleasant View and Trinity had their Christmas supper and gift exchange in the Pleasant View Church basement.

Elva and Sovilla Gingerich have returned home from Ark. helping clean at Calvary Bible School for a week. Arnold Diener also helped a few days, returning to Harrison, Ark. (Hillcrest) to be there for Christmas.

Others leaving for the holidays were Dannie Kuhns and family, Edward Petersheims and daus., all going to Sarasota, Fla. Abe Kuhns to Okla. to Dorothy's fam., Minister Willie Bontragers and family to Del. to Esther's fam., Mr. Darrel Miller and 3 children and sis. Wanda to their family in Lott, Texas.

Visitors in church Sun. were Anthony Blades and fam.; Alva Mast's fam. of Goshen, Ind., visiting the Mrs.' fam.; also Alva Millers of Wisconsin.

John David Stutzmans plan to come from Holmes Co., Ohio this week to spend a few days with the Dan Schrock family. Dave Millers came to be with the Mrs'. fam., the Joe Yoder family.

Jim Kauffmans from Ind. were at the Edw. Kauffman home. Edws. had their family Sun. eve. for a Christmas supper with the whole family staying there for overnight.

Richard Gingerich and Dannie Dieners were some from here who went to Ind. for the funeral of Darrel Bontrager of the Hebron fellowship.

Edgar and Mary Petersheim

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Jan. 2--The new year came in with a chilly wind, just as it left 89. Was warm enough last week that most of our snow left, but was quite foggy a few days.

Church was well attended at Pre. Melvin Schrock's. Visiting min. were preachers Andy Schrock (Melvin's folks), David D. Schrock and Elva Brennemans. Church to be at Levi Schrock's next.

Born to Lewis and Sharon (Yoder) Gingerich, a son, Loren, Dec. 17th, and to David and Ruth Ann (Schrock) Gingerich, a son, Christian, on Dec. 25. Mrs. (Eli) Fannie Gingerich is grandmother to both babies. Howard and Nettie Yoder are grands to the first one. Henry Yoders and Mrs. Maryann Beachy are the great-grandparents.

A son, Raymond Leon, to Omer and Susanna (Gingerich) Jess on Dec. 24; grands are Ervin L. Jesses and Mrs. (Bennie) Sovilla Gingerich; greats are Dan G. Kauffmans.

The Menno Kuhns family had a rather sad experience, as word was received from Pa. that their oldest son, Willard, passed away Fri. eve. and Mrs. Menno is still low & is on I.V. and doesn't respond anymore. The family all left for the funeral except Irene as Alma's sisters will help care for her. The funeral was on New Year's Day, if I was informed right.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Jan. 4--Still warm and had a few showers. There was a beautiful rainbow this morning.

Word was received Thurs. eve. of the sudden death of Willard Kuhns, 40, of Belleville, Pa. He was a polio victim and had been sick 6 weeks with virus. His parents are Menno B. and Alma Kuhns of here. Many from here attended the funeral which was on New Year's day. Willard's sister Irene (a nurse) stayed home to care for her ailing mother, Menno Alma, who had a very weak spell Fri. afternoon.

Mel Yoders and some of their married children from Martinsburg, Ohio spent New Year's weekend here visiting relatives.

The Herb and John Borkholder families of Nappanee, Ind. also spent Thurs. to Sun. in their parental Roman Borkholder home. Mrs. Roman Kuhns accompanied them to be with her mother.

Mrs. Alvin Schrock (Gertie Ann) fell on ice and broke her left arm above the wrist.

Boys have arrived in 3 different homes recently, one at David and Ruth Ann Gingerich's on Dec. 25 named Christian. Grandparents are David D. Schrock and Mrs. (Eli) Fannie Gingerich. Great-grandparents are Joe N. Schrock. Also one for Lewis and Sharon Gingerich Dec. 17, named Loren. His grandparents are Howard Yoders and Mrs. (Eli) Fannie Gingerich. Great-grandparents are Henry Yoders.

Their first, to Leonard and Sharon Miller on Dec. 26, named Kendall Jacob. Ervin J. Millers and Mrs. Verna Plank are grandparents. Mrs. (Dave) Anna Troyer, Mrs. (Jacob) Lizzie Plank and Mrs. (Mose) Ella Schrock are great-grandmothers. This baby was premature and weighed only 5 lbs. and needed to stay in the hospital longer.

Vernon and Mary Schrock added another dau. to their family yest., Jan. 3, named Michelle. Ben W. Schrock and Jake Helmuths are grandparents. Albert Helmuths, Annanias Herschbergers and Mrs. (Adlai) Katie Miller are great-grandparents.

On New Year's Day, the 45th wedding anniversary was celebrated for Joni & Anna Plank in the home of their dau., Eli J. A. Yoders. Relatives were invited to visit in the afternoon and then Joni's bros. and sisters were invited for supper.

Mrs. Andy Jess

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Jan. 4--The weather has been mild this week. The temperature was in the upper 40's this morning with clouds scurrying across the sky, and a rainbow forming a perfect arch in the northwestern sky. I have seen rainbows in the western sky, but never so far to the north.

Albert Schrock from Shipshewana, Ind. attended church at Eli Schlabachs' where their son Darrell is joining church along with Homer Jay Miller (Eli L., Kokomo, Ind.), Mary Plank (Elmer) and Lisa Miller (Elmer L.). Darrell is staying in the Ervin Chupp home. So Alberts had spent the night there.

We visited the Eli Herschbergers on Sunday afternoon. She (Ruby) goes to the hospital for tests this week and possibly another treatment.

Word was received here of the death of Willard Kuhns of Belleville, Pa. He had been sort of ill the past few weeks and collapsed and life was gone. They said it was a heart attack but tests were made on an autopsy and haven't heard what that showed. He had polio when he was a little boy. He was somewhat crippled, but was able to make a living for himself and also had a wife and children. They survive. His mother, Mrs. Menno Kuhns, lies in bed in a coma from brain tumor. It doesn't seem that she would comprehend anything. She is being fed intravenously.

Mrs. John (Lizzie) Schrock seems to be losing out in her battle with Lymphoma, but she can still walk. Her hip is healed enough for that.

Mrs. Edwin Schrock

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Pinecraft, Florida

Jan. 1--We entered the New Year with sunny and very pleasant weather.

Ed Wickey and wife of Burr Oak, Mich. arrived in Pinecraft the past week, and are living in their apt. at her folks', the Ora Schrocks'.

Mrs. Wilbur Rocke returned back to Fla. after spending a week with her son and family, the Gary Kennells in Mo., and attended the wedding of their son Jarad. The night of the wedding temp. was 23° below zero. A small crowd attended, as their cars didn't start.

Clayton Martin and wife of Pa. arrived in Pinecraft Sat. and plan to return home again due to the death of a close friend, Isaac Horst, for the funeral.

Last week's Budget has not arrived as yet; the week before it was held up, too. Seems they get hung up in the Sarasota or Tampa post office. We had this trouble back home in Ill. and I wrote to Washington, D.C. where the editor gave the address, and say, our Budgets came right through again.

The Gospel Express gave a program at the park here in Pinecraft last evening, with a large attendance.

There was a birthday party for Archie Hostettler Wed. evening at his niece Carrie Eash's. Archie turned 93 yrs. "young." He is living in the Frank Zimmerman apt., doing quite well for his age.

Today we had our New Year's dinner at the writers'. Ervin's family, Emily and dau. Lori were our guests.

Norman Horst and wife of Md. visited his folks, the Amos Horsts, and plan to leave for home tomorrow (Tues.).

David Yoder, wife and 3 little girls of Ind. spent the holidays with his folks, the Harvey Yoders, leaving for home yest.

Art Eigsti and wife left for home Wed. in Eureka, Ill. to spend a while with their family, a belated Christmas.

Mrs. Reuben Kennell

TAMPICO, ILLINOIS

Jan. 4--William Shrocks, Earl Shrocks and Mrs. Laurence Kropf helped to can meat for relief last month.

Amos Kropfs left for Mo. and Ark. on Dec. 18th. Grandma (Mary Hostetler) went along to her home near Buffalo, Mo.

We made a business trip to Kalona, Ia. Dec. 18th, and also visited Mose I. Millers and Raymond Brennemans.

The Christmas program at the school was Dec. 19th. Kenyon Hostetlers and Galen Kropfs visited parents at Green Forest, Ark. soon after.

Dan Headings, Delberts and Bruce Headings attended a family togetherness at Buffalo, Mo. last week.

Joe Kropf is better in some respects. He can swallow some soft food and feed himself some. Sam Headings had the flu last week with 102 temp. He is better again.

Wayne Coopes is ill with cancer and appears to be in the last stages.

Laurence Kropfs attended the funeral of her uncle, Levi Miller, at Plain City, Ohio last week. On the way home from the funeral one van load from Sugar-creek, Ohio had a serious accident, which cost the life of Menno Beachy (a cousin to Ada). Ada caught a ride with a van from Kalona, Ia. (Harold D. Millers)

early Sunday morning to attend the funeral. She wasn't home long when they received word that her dad, Mose I. Miller at Kalona, Ia. was very low. Laurences left for Kalona Tues. evening. He is in a coma and not expected to live long.

Stanley Shrocks left early Wed. morn-ing to visit the heart specialist in Spring-field, Mo. where he doctored before. His heart was irregular again.

Ernest Blosser

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Pleasant View Church

We are greeted this morn. with a warm 37° and some nice sunshine.

This community was shocked to receive the message of the sudden death of Willard Kuhns, son of Menno and Alma Kuhns. Willard had polio in 1952 which left him crippled, but was able to lead a normal life. He hadn't been feeling well for a few weeks but was able to keep on with his teaching duties until a few days before he passed away. They were living at Belleville, Pa. He leaves wife Anna (Peachy) and 3 daus. Rachel, Rhonda and Ruth. Willard was 40 yrs. old.

Mrs. Menno Kuhns (Alma) has responded very little the last few days.

Those going to the funeral were the Father Menno Kuhns and dau. Edna, Edwin. Kuhns, David Kuhns, Howard Kuhns, Abe Kuhns, Omer Kuhns, Gary Kuhns, Duane Kuhns, Dannie Dieners, Min. Willis Bontrager, Richard Schrock, Mel Yoder, Ernest Gingerich, Edw. Kauffmans, Mrs. Mary Miller and Willards grandmother, Mrs. Sadie Kuhns.

On Christmas Day Dannie Dieners, Willis Schrocks and fam., Darrel Dieners and fam. were all to Nappanee, Ind. to spend the day with their dau., sister and family, the Wally Bylers and family and from Nappanee Darrel Dieners went to Va. to be with her parents. From Va. they went to Willard's funeral.

Visitors in church Sun. were John D. Stutzmans of Holmes Co., Ohio and David Herschbergers, Hudson, Canada. David had the sermon. David also gave a sermon at Trinty Fellowship Sun. morn. Davids and Mart Schrocks were Sun. dinner guests of Dannie Dieners, Dave

Millers of Holmes Co., Ohio and John Yoders of S.C. were in the community too over the weekend.

Kenny Kauffmans (Ervin's) Sarasota, Fla. and Wilma Yoder (Walter) Fla. returned to their homes after spending the holidays with their families.

The Quinn Chapel Menn. Church about 10 miles S.E. of Arthur has been sold and made into a duplex. Mary Lou Gingerich (Elvas) has moved into one of the apartments.

Leonard Millers are the parents of their firstborn, Kendall Jacob. Mrs. Verna Plank and Ervin Millers are the grandparents.

Son Brian had a very narrow escape last week when his clothes caught on the PTO on the tractor. It tore all his clothes off except 1 piece of underwear and ½ of his shirt. He received a burn on 2/3 of his right leg. Also stretched his muscle in the leg that his leg was swollen to twice its normal size. Is healing nicely.

I had in my last week's letter Darrel Bontrager passed away. It should have read Galen B.

Dale Schrocks are having a rummage sale this week with plans to move to Fla. next week. Edgar & Mary Petersheim

WAYNE CITY, ILLINOIS

Jan. 12--There were quite a few visitors in the area again over Christmas. The Mel Hess family and the Steve Good family were to the Oliver Hess home. The Hesses had their Christmas gathering on the 31st.

Andy Korner and Dan Korner and Marilyn Bonttrager were with their parents the Tim Korners. Dan and Marilyn announced their engagement while here.

The High family were all here, too, except David Highs who were here over Thanksgiving. The Highs included John, Nora and Lorraine High, Leon Nolt family, and Mark High family. The Highs were all together at Carl Martins' from Anna, Ill. on the 30th.

Denise Clugston was also home from her teaching duties in Pa. for the holidays. She flew back New Year's Day.

The Clugstons were together on Christmas Day. Then the Joe Hostetler family from Anna, Ill. joined them in the evening for supper.

The Wilbur Wenger family made a short visit at John High Jr.'s place on the 31st. Mrs. Wenger is Mrs. John High Sr.'s niece. They visited other relation in the area, too.

Tim Korners have their trailer moved in on the farm they bought, and are pretty well settled in. They are having trouble getting propane gas as the companies around here say it is scarce. So they are trying to keep warm with electric heaters and cook with electric skillet and crockpot.

Earl Horsts and Donald Geigleys from Pa. were here the weekend of the 7th. We had communion services. Arleta Korner was baptized, too. Also here for communion were Elmer Beachays and Vernon Obrichs from Mo.

The David Clugstons family have welcomed someone new to their home. She is named Nolene Gail and arrived on the 20th of December. She has a brother Neil.

Bill Hesses traveled to Pa. to her folks', the Elmer Martins, for Christmas. Also stopped at Steve Goods' in Ohio.

Tim Hess and Marcile Mast went to her home in Arkansas for Christmas. They were gone a week, but were back for the Hess gathering.

Dean Clugstons traveled to Pa. to her folks', the James Herrs, for their Christmas gathering on New Year's Day. Also visited Dean's grandparents and Denise Clugston's schoolroom.

The High women and Audrey Clugston and Anneta Weaver spent a day in St. Louis when the Highs were all here. Nora had sunbonnets to deliver to the Arch where they sell them for souvenirs. She has an order for 1900 for this summer. A couple other women help her sew them, too.

The Hess and High men, plus the Clugston boys, spent New Year's Day at Sikeston, Mo. at the machinery sale.

Danny and Donna Hess took their dad Oliver down to Georgia to Heritage Bible School. He will be teaching for the next three weeks.

Annetta Weaver was down from Indiana with Mark Highs. She visited some others in the area, too.

The Highs

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ARCOLA, ILLINOIS**Pleasant View Church**

Jan. 8--Our weather continues to be sunny and in the 30s during the day.

Some belated news: Bish. Elmer Millers of Goshen, Ind. stopped at Menno Kuhns' to visit Alma Dec. 29th on their way to Harrison, Ark. Ervin Herschbergers of Grantsville, Md. also stopped at Menno's last week, sleeping at Elva Gingerich's. Ervins were on their way to Calvary Bible School at Ark. for the winter.

Wilma Herschberger met a load of girls of Ohio at Effingham, Ill. and traveled on with them to Hillcrest at Harrison, Ark. and gave Joan Schrock & Teresa Petersheim a pleasant surprise. She returned home Sun. eve.

Katie Marner & dau. Dorothy traveled to New Glarus, Wi. to visit one of Katie's former neighbors & school chum (Holmes Co., Ohio), Mrs. Emma Kramer.

Mrs. Viola Gingerich drove her car into her garage last Fri. eve. After she had gone into the house one of her sons discovered the car had burst into flames. A tiller & a few other things plus her car were a complete loss. The garage was brick so can be repaired.

Last Fri. morn. B.J.K. Helmuths and Silvanus Yoders left for Sarasota, Fla. for the winter months.

This morn. Dale Schrock & sons loaded their belongings on a U-haul, with his folks Dan Schrock and son Ernest taking the U-haul to Sarasota, Fla. where Dales plan to call home.

Sun. the North Vine Menn. Church had a fellowship dinner for the church, also inviting Dale & Ellen's parents, sis. & bros. for dinner.

Edgar & Mary Petersheim

ANNA, ILLINOIS**Mt. Pleasant Congregation**

Jan. 9--The Lee Shrock family from Zanesville, Ohio visited the area Dec. 30th & 31st. He preached Sun. morning. Daryl Weaver (Mervins) and his wife from Orchardville were also visitors.

Daryl Bair (Bairs Codorus, Pa.) preached at Ewing Dec. 31st. They were on their way home from the Charles Miller family reunion in Minnesota.

Aden Gingrichs from Farmington, New Mexico stopped overnight at Phares Martins', Jan. 1. They were returning home from a wedding in Indiana.

Ervin Weavers (Pa.) and Neal Shirks (Md.) visited Dale Martins Dec. 30, 31.

Jerry and Carol Neuenschwander and their two children had dinner with David Weaver Jrs. on Dec. 29. They also made a short stop at the writer's home before going to Ohio.

Glen Weaver found himself in the classroom Jan. 5 substituting for Bro. Ivan Zook who went to Ohio to make settlement on a house at Zanesville.

Miriam Hostetler (Joes) has been helping Raymond Kraemers of Orchardville since Mrs. Raymond K. has had a couple of hospital experiences.

Richard Weaver rolled his pickup truck Jan. 6. Son John was with him and got a broken arm from flying out. Richard is quite stiff and sore since the accident.

Winter Bible School at Ewing ended Jan. 3 with an average attendance of 217.

Charlen Weaver (Vernons) of Orchardville is trying out his mechanical skills at Martin's Auto Service. He may begin working there regularly after he returns from a 3-week term at Numidia Bible School.

Mrs. David Weaver Sr. hit a deer near their place Jan. 5. It damaged their old Chevy pretty badly, but they were able to get some deer meat out of the deal.

Marvin Weaver

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

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LEBANON, ILLINOIS

Jan. 1--Our New Year came in with a crash. I changed the curtain at the window and door, but failed to tie the one on the door back. When Clyde came in, well after dark, with no light, he was confused. Holding a lunch pail and trying to pull the curtain free, resulted in the 2x2 ft. pane of glass being broken. I never realized the sound of shattering glass would travel so far, but halfway through sweeping up the mess, a police car came to our lane. We are thankful for concerned neighbors! Thankfully, no one was injured.

A drive to Grafton today to view the local habitat of bald eagles was most enjoyable. The peak viewing months are December to March. There were many cars parked along "The Great River Road" with field glasses and cameras trained on the large numbers that flew about the high bluffs and cliffs. It is a worthwhile drive if you're passing through, a very scenic drive.

The low water and packed ice has kept hundreds of barges of coal and grain prisoner and unable to travel. There are countless numbers moored along the shore from Alton, Ill. to Grafton. An ice jam has halted traffic at the Alton Dam and Lock. Now, the railroad is being used to begin hauling these two important items. Because of the shallowness of this river, the Mississippi has been closed from St. Louis to Cairo, Ill.

Mattie King

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Jan. 11--We are having some of the weather. The past week, I started out with a garden plan, mostly with all the most colorful in the field.

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ROANOKE, ILLINOIS**Pinecraft, Fla.**

Jan. 8--Overcast skies with a little shower. We could use more rain.

Son Ervin, wife and children, left Thurs. noon after spending 13 days here in Pinecraft. The children enjoyed being so close to grandpa's and we enjoyed it, too. They were across the street in the Aaron Miller house.

Tobie Petersheim and wife of Kansas arrived in Pinecraft the past week. They traveled via bus. Plans are to be here awhile.

Sam Petersheim is doing quite well now and was able to be in church yesterday. He has been riding his 3-wheeler, which has helped to strengthen his legs.

Mrs. Ike (Lydia) Stoltzfus of Pa. came to spend several weeks in her home here. Ike passed away in Sept. She says she feels she can't stay here too long as she feels she needs to be home in Pa.

Ivan Schrock and wife of Ohio brought Sam Schrock and his bro. to be in Pinecraft for the winter. Joni Miller and wife of Maryland are staying with Sam again this winter. Jonis came with Eli Millers of Stuarts Draft, Va. the past week.

David Hostetler and wife (Budget scribe) of Kokomo, Ind. are also spending awhile in Pinecraft. They live on our street. I visited there awhile Sat. a.m.

Nelson Yoder, wife and 2 little girls of Colon, Mich. arrived at her folks', the Kenneth Kennells, Sat. noon. They were dinner guests yesterday with Nelson's dad and sisters, their belated Christmas dinner. They will be living in Kenneth's apartment while here.

Mrs. John (Martha) Stutzman of Kalona, Iowa was in Pinecraft a short while, sold her trailer and left for home Thurs. eve. via bus. The Cletus Millers of Ohio bought her trailer in the former L&L Court.

The Melvin Yoders on Clarinda St. are back from their Ga. home and are here for the winter.

Mrs. Reuben Kennell

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Jan. 11--We are having spring-like weather this past week. It makes one think of garden planting, especially with all the seed catalogs in the mail.

A correction from my last letter. I had stated that Mel Yoders are of Martinsburg, Ohio. But they are of Pa. instead. Sorry!

Gerald, small son of Marlin Gingerichs, was admitted to Jarman Hospital Sat. with pneumonia and a temp. of 105°.

Lewis Gingerichs' 4-week-old baby was also hospitalized Mon. due to a cold and labored breathing.

Lewis J. Yoders and family and possibly others spent the weekend in Ohio with his sisters, the Raymond Troyers and Mel Mullets and families.

Our dau. Mary (9) had a freak accident when running into a low clothesline after dark and catching and pulling her 2 front permanent teeth completely by the roots. A trip to the dentist and the teeth are back in with a "wait & see" if the body will accept or reject them. It's a 50-50 chance.

This week it's all girls! Melvin and Katie Gingerich had a Dorothy Lucille on Jan. 3. Grandparents are John E. Gingerichs and John R. Ottos. Great-grandparents are Mrs. (Emery) Lydia Ann Gingerich, Mrs. (Sam) Lillie Miller, Mrs. (Rudy) Lizzie Otto and Andy A. Schrock. Great-great-grandmother is Mrs. (Dave) Anna Troyer.

To Mervin and Treva Hostetler (their first), Lorene Kay, on Jan. 4, making Marvin Helmuths grandparents for the first time. Others are Andy J. Hostetlers. Joe M. Hostetlers, Mrs. (Dan) Anna Chupp, Mrs. (David) Lena Helmuth and Mrs. (Rudy) Lizzie Otto are great-grandparents. Mrs. (Dave) Anna Troyer is also great-great-grandmother.

Miriam Marie has come to stay in the Daniel and Rhoda Rocke home Jan. 10. She has 3 bros. and Jerry Rockes and Abe L. Gingerichs are the grandparents. Dan G. Kaufmans and Lawrence Rockes of Eureka, Ill. are great-grandparents. Mrs. Andy Jess

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Jan. 11--Mom and ad live in the grandpa house on the home place and dad takes care of mom the best he can. She has Parkinson's disease and gets around in a wheelchair. She is 79 today. She likes to be with her family and they also enjoy company and mail. Address: Rt. 3, Box 323, Tuscola, Il. 61953.

The weather remains mild with an occasional north wind to help us keep in mind it is still winter. The temperature hasn't gone below 18° since New Year's.

Our church was well attended at John J. Stutzmans'. Min. John Yoders from Bloomfield, Ia. were our out-of-state visitors; 23 ministers attended. Six of the 8 church districts were held on Sat., Jan. 6. Johns had attended church at Ben N. Schrock's in Jake Stutzman dist. on Saturday.

The other church on Sunday was held at Jerry Otto Jrs'. in Andy Ray Herschberger district. Min. Melvin A. Schrock from Milton, Ia. was their out-of-state minister.

Johns and Melvins had come to visit relatives and take Andy J. Schrock from Milton, Ia. along home. They had been here to help take care of Andy's mother, Mrs. John (Lizzie) Schrock. She is fighting a losing battle with lymphoma. It seems to be getting the best of her. She has no appetite and seems uncomfortable at times. She was able to be at Ervin's (her son) in other house on New Year's Day when all her children were there for a Christmas gathering.

Mrs. Alvin N. Schrock (Mary) has been having high blood pressure. She was staying with her daughter Bertha in the trailer and was better and able to be alone in her own house. But she had another spell and is at Bertha's again. I understand she is a little better. Her address: Rt. 2, Box 128, Arthur, Il. 61911.

Gerald, small son of Marlin Gingerichs, spent a few days in Tuscola Hospital with pneumonia. He is better and is at home. The 3-week-old baby of Lewis Gingerichs is hospitalized with pneumonia.

Mrs. Robert Hostetler (Treva) was hit by a car 2 miles west of Arthur at the intersection. The buggy ahead of her went across and her horse went, too, and couldn't be held and the car hit her buggy. She had cuts and bruises, but nothing serious. The buggy was somewhat damaged.

Mrs. Alvin Schrock (Gertie Ann) fell on ice and broke her left arm above the wrist. She has much trouble with her lungs. The doctors say they are weak. She needs more humidity in the house so as not to contract pneumonia so easily. I am sure she would appreciate mail. Address: Rt. 1, Box 186, Arthur, Il. 61911.

Vernon and Mary (Helmuth) Schrock are parents of a daughter born Jan. 3 named Michelle. Jake Helmuths and Ben W. Schrock are grandparents. Albert Helmuths, Ananias Herschbergers and Mrs. Adlai (Katie) Miller are great-grandparents.

Wilmer Beachys from Guthrie, Ky. are spending some time in the parental Levi Beachy home as Sarah isn't too well and is recovering from removing a lump on her shoulder with salve.

The total deaths in 1989 were as follows: Lynn Andrew Mast, son of Elva on Feb. 6; Eli G. Kauffman, May 1; Mrs. Edward (Miriam) Nisly, July 6; Joe S. Graber, June 23; Marilyn Kay Hostetler, dau. of Kenneth, June 5; Matilda Herschberger, Aug. 18; Joe S. Beachy, Nov. 30; Fannie Yoder, Sept. 5; stillborn of Andy F. Chupps; Lucy Anna, infant dau. of Ivan Gingerichs; infant son of Lynn W. Masts. There were 20 marriages and 59 births, including one set of twins.

Mrs. Edwin Schrock

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Jan. 19--Seems extra warm and calm at present. Some fog in the mornings. The cement sweats enough so that the water gathers and runs off.

Jonathan Creek Church was well attended Sun. at Levi J. Schrock's. Visiting ministers were Pre. Harvey Chupps and Dea. Merl Kaufmans. Strangers were Monroe Bontragers from Northern Ind. and a girl from Kokomo, Ind. I didn't get the name, but she has special interest at Melvin Schrock's.

The Jonas M. Schrock boys, Velvon and Michel, were shelling corn Sat. and something went wrong somewhere and they climbed up to correct it, when a board let loose where Velvon had a hold of or standing on, and he fell and somehow hurt his head bad. He was rushed to St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur where they operated and removed the blood clots from his brain. He also fractured both arms at the wrists if I have it right, but they consider that minor compared to his head.

Church is to be at Levi Schrock's again in 2 weeks.

Pre. Noah Herschbergers had their 50th anniversary dinner Sat. Their son Willis of Windsor, Mo. and dau. Fannie of Pa. were here to spend a few days with them. Willis went home again Sat. afternoon.

Mrs. Orie Helmuth and some of their children (I think) and John Earl and Barbara Sue Kuhns and Susie Mast were among those that were to Bloomfield, Iowa over Sun., leaving Fri. after school and coming back Sun. night some time, in time for the teachers to resume their duties.

We missed Mrs. (Chris) Malinda Otto in church Sun., but she was sick. Her son Levi stayed at home with her and Mrs. Levi went to church at her sister's, the Omer Schrock's, in the West Steve Kaufman dist. Clarence Stutzman also wasn't able to attend church, so his dau. Carol stayed at home with him.

The address of Velvon Schrock's is Rt. 1, Box 191-A, Arthur, Ill. 61911. His wife is Marcia Kay, dau. of Lester and Mary Ellen (Kaufman) Lee.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Jan. 18--The weather has been spring-like for a week. Some plowing has been done since the first of the year.

While shelling corn, Velvon Schrock (Jonas M.) fell down from up in the crib about twenty feet. He had stepped on a board that gave way, falling on his face. He is in the hospital with skull fracture and concussion. He had surgery on Sat. evening, the day it happened, to remove a blood clot from the brain. He also has both wrists broken. The doctors are pleased with his condition at this time. His wife Marcia had just come out to tell the men that dinner was ready. Her father, Lester Lee, was there shelling corn.

Edna M. Yoder was taken to the hospital Sunday afternoon with seizures and it turned out to be a stroke. I haven't heard the extent of it.

Mrs. Ervin Chupp had a mishap at the bridge north of Ananias Herschbergers that broke her arm. The buggy and horse somehow were in the ditch.

Edwin and Ella (Gingerich) Kaufman are parents of a tiny (2 lb. and some ounce) baby. Seems to be doing o.k.

Mrs. Edwin N. Schrock

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS**Pleasant View Church**

Jan. 16--Are having nice weather. Yest. it was 60°, but very damp most of the day.

Jan. 11th Ray and Ella Bontrager left for their Fla. home. They were going to stop at Whiteville, Tenn. Thurs. eve. for the night, spending the eve. with Ella's cousin, the Eli Helmuths. Adlia and Lena Yoder also left for Fla. Jan. 5th, Ben and Lucy Schrock going with them.

Visitors in church Sun. were Mrs. Fannie Beachy and part of her fam. and Arthur Beiler, all of Lancaster, Pa. They had come to help celebrate her parents', Noah and Tillie Hershberger's, 50th ann. Edwin Hostetler, Tampico, Ill. was also in church, being dinner guest of Stanley Helmuths.

We had a nice surprise Thur. morn. at 12:30 when dau. Teresa walked in. She came with Jason Miller of Minerva, Ohio who has finished his term of service at Hillcrest and traveled on home after dropping off the girls here. Ruth Slaubaugh and Hannah Gingerich also came along. Carol Slaubaugh of Kokomo, Ind. came to Champaign, Ill. and picked up her sisters Ruth and Hannah, who spent the weekend in Ind. Hannah returned to Ill. Mon. noon. Her and Teresa returned to Hillcrest (Harrison, Ark.) Mon.

Miss Edna Yoder (dau. of the late Menno) was taken to the hospital Sun., having had a stroke.

Visitors at Trinity Fellowship Sun. were the Jacob Hershbergers, visiting the Mrs'. sis. over the weekend, the Darrel Dieners. Jacobs are from Costa Rica.

Ruben Kauffmans were also there of Holmes Co., Ohio, being here for a fam. gathering to celebrate his mother Mrs. Rebecca Kauffman's birthday.

Edgar and Mary Petersheim

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Pinecraft, Fla.

Jan. 15--We have had several cool mornings again the past week, 40°, but warmer daytimes.

(Kansas) Edna Yoder had a fall last Sun. a.m. and hurt her lower back. She is in a hospital bed and needs to stay down to heal her injury. Her daughter from Kansas is planning to come for several weeks to care for her.

Florence Bucher and Jane Hodel of Roanoke, Illinois arrived in Pinecraft Wed. noon. They are living in the Dan Beachy apt. for 3 months. They spent Fri. eve. at our house.

We were invited to attend the "snow-bird" breakfast Thurs. a.m. at Cypress Inn. There were 86 there. We enjoyed seeing all our Fla. friends.

Lester Yoder and wife Mary of Ind. got to Pinecraft the past week via plane. Their son brought the pickup down the day before and was here in time to meet them at the airport. Mary seems to be doing quite well.

Paul Gingerich of Kalona, Ia. passed away very suddenly Thurs. evening. He was taken to Iowa for the funeral and burial.

Frank Zimmerman and wife of Pa. left for home Sat. a.m. Their children left the day before.

Paul Brubacher and wife of Pa. arrived Sat. afternoon and are living in Frank's house. The Gary Martins (their granddaughter) and 3 little boys brought them. They left for home this morning at Ephrata, Pa.

Chris Bontregers on Estrada St. had an auction sale Saturday. They plan to sell out and move to Alabama.

Orville Martin and wife of Maryland spent 2 weeks visiting in Fla. and are leaving for home today.

Herman Jr. Hostetler of Tampico, Ill. came to Fla. Fri. p.m. and have their trailer parked near the Sunnyside School. They attended hymn sing and preaching service at Tourist Menn. Church last evening. Bro. Jacob Schrock preached. They visited in our home after church.

Pre. Jake Weaver and wife, also Pete Graber and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. LeRoy (Orpha) Lengacher of Daviess Co., Ind. which was Sunday. She was killed in a car accident.

Sam Petersheim was able to be in Tourist church last evening. He seems to be improving quite well now after a lengthy illness.

Rick Zoss, wife and children of Low Point, Ill. and his mother Mary Zoss of Washburn, Ill. left today (Mon.) for home after a week's stay in Pinecraft.

Rufus Beachy and wife Fern of Stuarts Draft, Va. came to Pinecraft last Monday.

Eli N. Beachy and wife of Ky. and Noah Beachy visited Katie Graber Sun. eve. after church.

Raymond Bontreger and wife of Arthur, Ill. arrived in Fla. Sat. evening and attended Tourist Church Sun. evening.

Those who attended an all-day quilting at Toby Masts' Wed. were Mrs. David Herschberger, Mrs. Eli Otto, Mrs. Adlai Yoder, Mrs. Andy Helmuth, Mrs. Ben W. Schrock of Ill., Fanny Stutzman and Katie Graber.

The Rick Zoss family, Mary Zoss and Kenneth Kennells were Sun. dinner guests at Nelson Yoders'.

Mrs. Reuben Kennell

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Jan. 18--Mon. and Tues. was up to 65°. Several people were plowing those days. Had some rain.

Mrs. Menno Kuhns (Alma), age 62, passed away peacefully yest., Jan. 17 early morning. Visitation was at their home near Cadwell Wed. evening and all day Thurs. The body will be moved to Pleasantview Beachy Church for visitation Thurs. evening from 7 to 9 and funeral is to be there, too, Fri. morning at 10:00. Her husband Menno and 2 daus., Irene and Edna, 2 sons, Edwin and David; her mother, Mrs. Joel Kauffman; and her mother-in-law, Mrs. (Ben) Sadie Kuhns, survive, also 6 sisters and 2 bros. One son, Willard, preceded her in death. (His funeral was on New Year's Day 1990.)

On Sat. Velvon Schrock (Jonas M.), 29, had shelled corn and was unloading cobs. He crawled up into the crib and somehow fell 20 ft. down, landing on the cement head first. He's in St. Mary's hosp. with severe head injuries and a broken wrist. The bones in his face are mashed, too. Consciousness comes and goes. Shortly after arriving at the hosp. they rushed him into surgery to remove a huge blood clot off the brain. His wife of 4½ years is Marcia Lee, dau. of Lester Lees. They have 2 little boys. Their home address is Rt. 1, Box 191-A, Arthur, Ill.

Edna Yoder, dau. of the late Menno Yoders, was also admitted to St. Mary's Hosp. on Sun. after having a stroke. Is coming along as well as can be expected.

Ezra and Joe Bontrager and Min. Christy Yoders of Bonduel, Wisc. were in church Sun. at Eli Schlabachs'. They also attended the annual praisers meeting on Mon. at Ivan Planks'.

Out-of-staters in church at Norman Planks' Sun. were Roman Lee Plank, Steve Borkholder, Glen Lehman, Alton, Darlene and Edna Bontrager and Norma Schlabach, all of northern Ind. They left for their home Sun. p.m.

Ernest Yoders, Mrs. Orie Helmuth and Eldon Kauffman's family spent the weekend at Bloomfield, Ia.

This past weekend the children of Noah Herschbergers celebrated their parents' 50th wedding anniversary. Willis of Windsor, Mo. came for the occasion, also Fannie (Mrs. Elden) Beachy and her family, also her special friend Beiler by name, all from Pa.

A dau. named Lynetta Renee was born to Robert and Celesta Yoder. Grandparents are Nelson Yoders and Fred Ottos. Great-grands are Dan B. Yoders and Mrs. (Reuben) Irma Yoder.

Jan. 10, a son to Mervin and Verna Herschberger named Eli Ray. His grandpas are Levi C. Herschbergers and Mrs. (Andy) Edna Miller. Christ Herschbergers are great-grandpas.

Clyde Schlabachs moved to their new home and property Dec. 30th. This is east of Mrs. Eli J. K. Miller's place on the north and south road. Mrs. Andy Jess

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Jan. 25--Mild weather is still with us. So far every other day this week has been calm and sunny and the other days have been very windy and rainy.

The funeral of Mrs. Menno Kuhns (Alma) was largely attended on Fri. Some present and former C.B.S. students. Bible school let out Thurs. so many of them stopped here for the funeral before going on home.

I don't have a recent report of how Velvon Schrock is coming along.

The 5th & 6th graders at Prairie Lane School had to write a report for the school newspaper, Country Notes, on what they want to do when they grow up and with a thousand dollars! One little lad wants to be like his father, who is a preacher and farmer. He thinks it would be fun reading the Bible and remembering what he read, and his \$1000 he'd give to the poor. How many adults think that far?

Mrs. Andy Jess

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS**Pinecraft, Florida**

Jan. 22--Temp. this morning was 63° with overcast skies, clearing by noon and is warm.

Last Tues. evening a few neighbors and friends gathering at Sam Schrock's for his 90 birthday. Those to attend were David Stoltzfus, wife and 3 children, Lester Yoder and wife Irene, Eli Miller and wife Edna, Reuben and I and Orpha Yoder. Joni Miller and wife, who are living with Sam and his bro. Roman, were also there. Joni and wife had a nice birthday cake and ice cream and snacks to serve.

Delmar Martin (my nephew) and wife Ruthie of Hopedale, Ill. and Carol Martin, Karuna Davis, wife Marilyn and 2 boys, also of Hopedale, Ill. arrived in Pinecraft Wed. p.m. They are all rooming at Melvin Yoders'. Carol and Marilyn are my nieces. They were our dinner guests Fri. They are enjoying our nice sunshine.

We were sorry to hear of the accident that Pete and Rose Graber had coming back from Daviess Co., Ind. where they went for a funeral. They are in a hosp. in Tampa, Fla. Rose, the most serious hurt, has 7 broken ribs and was still in I.C.U. last we heard.

David Knepp and wife Carol of Roanoke, Ill. were rooming at Pete Grabers' and left for home Sat. They visited in our home Fri. before returning home.

Roger Kennell and wife of Roanoke, Ill., also Ben Kennell and wife of Washburn, Ill. arrived in Fla. the past week, also Dorothy Hostettler and son Larry of Washburn, Ill.

Wilbur Rocke has been laid up with the flu the past week. He is better, but still pretty weak.

Thurs. afternoon neighbors and friends gathered at Ora Schrock's to spend the time with Lydia Stoltzfus, as she plans to leave for her home in Pa. soon. Those to attend were Edna and Martha Miller, Mrs. Schwartz, Mary Yoder, Mary Miller, Katie Fisher, Laura Nisley, Elizabeth Erb, Martha Wickey and the writer.

David Hostettler and wife received word Wed. of the death of his sis. at Howard Co., Ind. They left Wed. p.m. to attend the funeral, planning to return to Pinecraft.

Sam and Enos Swartzentruber of Gladwin, Mich. were dinner guests today with Joni Millers and Sam and Roman Schrock. They are staying at their great-uncle Menno Swartzentruber's and plans are to travel on via bus to Huston, Tex. and other states.

Morris Barth and wife of Roanoke, Ill. came to Fla. yest. and spent the day at Tampa, then came to Pinecraft where Mrs. Barth's mother and Jane Hodel are staying. They all, also Reuben and I met at Der Dutchman for breakfast this a.m., then visited at Florence and Jane's. Morris is manager at the Roanoke elevator.

Mrs. Reuben Kennell

TAMPICO, ILLINOIS

Jan. 17--Mrs. Laurence (Ada) Kropf's father, Mose I. Miller of Kalona, Ia. passed away Jan. 4. Laurences left early the next morning for Kalona. Funeral services were held Sat., Jan. 6th at the Solly Yoder home. Those attending the funeral from here besides the family were Joseph Garretsons, William Schrock, Raymond Kauffmans, Dan Headings, Norma Kropf, Clayton Garretsons, Clifford Shrocks, Anna Shrock, Victor Shrock and Ernest Blossers.

H.W. Hostetlers are spending some time at Crockett, Ky. and in Fla.

Joe Kropf is about the same.

Stanley Shrocks returned from Mo. on Tues. evening. Doctor has him on medication and will consider electric shock treatment if his heart is still irregular in a couple weeks. He was anointed Sunday afternoon.

Visitors in church Sunday were Douglas Knoxes of Mena, Ark. and Merle Kropfs of Nashville, Ark.

Nelson Hostetlers and Don Hostetlers worshipped with the congregation at Muscoda, Wis. on Sunday.

Wayne Cooper is very low with cancer. A benefit lunch was served at the high school Sunday p.m. to raise money for his medical expenses. Wayne's Electric is out of business. At present no one is taking it on. Ernest Blosser

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS**Pleasant View Church**

Jan. 23--We had a much needed rain last week. Weather remains between 30-50°.

Alma Kuhns, age 62, who had a brain tumor removed which grew back, passed away early Wed. morn., Jan. 17th. She leaves husband Min. Menno Kuhns, 2 sons, Dave and Edwin and 2 daus., Edna and Irene. A son Willard passed away Dec. 29th, 1989. Also leaves her mother, Mrs. Katie Ann Kauffman, 2 bros. and 6 sisters.

The funeral was Fri. morn. at Pleasant View Church with around 550 attending. Bishop Dannie Diener and Norman Swartzentruber of S.C. had the funeral sermons. Around 30 visiting mins. attended, plus many others. Some of Alma's near relatives attending were her dau.-in-law Anna Kuhns and 3 little girls of Belleville, Pa. and her bro. Daniel of LaGrange, Ind.

Sat. eve. the Pleasant View School had a school meeting with Abe Swartzes, Nottawa, Mi. being there. Abe and wife were in our church services Sun. morn., giving the message. Other visitors were Terry Yoder, Goshen, Ind., and Alva Millers of Wis., having come for Mrs. Miller's aunt Alma's funeral.

The youth and youth sponsors were invited to Ernie Gingerich home for Sun. dinner. Fri. eve. they had a taffy pull at Ira Herschberger's.

Adlia Yoders came back from Fla. for the funeral too and were in church Sun., but have returned to Fla.

Bishop Dannie Diener and wife left for Liberty, Ky. Fri. They'll be going on to Montezuma, Ga. and Sarasota, Fla. before returning home.

Visitors at Trinity Fellowship Sun. morn. were Noah Millers of Sugarcreek, Ohio and Jerry Kuhns of Sunnyside. David Kuhns, Dawn's parents, Eugene Herschbergers and her sis. and bro. were all here from Nappanee, Ind., but no one, including Daves, were able to attend church Sun. because all being sick with the flu.

This week one wife asked her husband if she missed anything as far as news for this letter and he said, "Did you tell her I felt real good yest." I won't mention any names, fearing he might not feel so well anymore! Edgar & Mary Petersheim

ANNA, ILLINOIS**Mt. Pleasant Congregation**

Jan. 24--The women have finished quilting two quilts for two of our schoolteachers, namely Dorcas Weaver and Ida Ann Brubacher. They both taught for the last four years and this will be Ida Ann's last year here. She plans to teach in Vermont next year.

My wife and I took our schoolteachers to visit Orchardville and Ewing schools Jan. 12.

Wilmer Eshbach of Orchardville flew to Alberta Jan. 6 for a week of Bible Study meetings at Duchess and Tilly. His wife and youngest child accompanied him.

Daniel Binkley preached at Ewing Sun. a.m. Jan. 14 and at Mt. Pleasant Sun. eve.

David Weaver Srs. went into Pa. for a ministers' meeting today, Jan. 24. James Sensenig and Aaron Wenger also went.

The Richard Strite family of Orchardville is planning a trip to Grays Prairie, Texas Jan. 26-29. Their son Gardell wants to visit his special friend (Homer Bell's daughter) who is living there presently.

Marvin Weaver

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Jan. 25--The weather has been mild until this morning. Temperature was 50 degrees at 5:00 a.m. The west wind started blowing and it is now 30 degrees at 9:00 a.m. We had a welcome rain early this morning. Someone saw geese flying north one day this week. On that day 3 weeks ago a bunch of geese flew south.

Velvon Schrock seems to be improving. He will lose an eye. A bone had pushed through it in the accident. It so happens to be the eye that was bad anyway. His address: R.R. 1, Box 191-A, Arthur, Ill.

Edna M. Yoder is at home from the hospital. She is on medication to help her not have seizures. A stroke she must have had before her seizures began are causing them. She has had no other effects from her stroke.

Elva and Leona (Gingerich) Mast are parents of a dau. born Jan. 18th. She has been named Magdalena and she has 5 brothers to help her grow up.

Paul J. Otto (Amos) is in the hospital to remove a kidney stone.

Mrs. Edwin Schrock

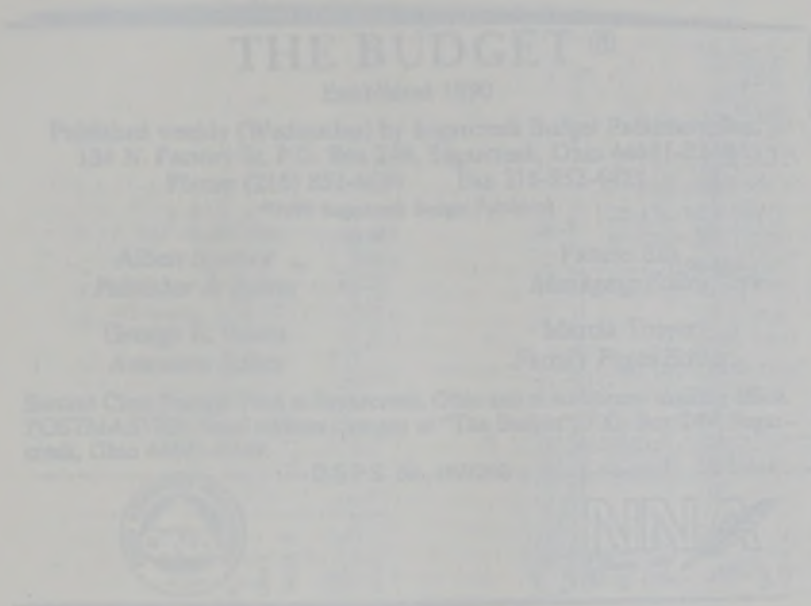
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ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Pleasant View Church

Jan. 29--It's nice and sunny again after our surprise winter storm last Thurs., blowing & snowing most of the day, ending up with about one inch of snow on the ground.

Bish. Howard Kuhns & wife were to Muscoda, Wi. last week on business. Edith spent the day with Mrs. Alva Miller, while Howard attended his meeting. They started home Thurs. morn., but ended up in a motel because of a blizzard. They came on home Fri.

Min. Willis Bontrager must think it's worth turning 40! Last Wed. was his 40th birthday and they had hot lunch at the Pleasant View School that day, serving cupcakes with a candle on each one. When he returned home a big sign was on their mailbox saying, "Guess Who Turned 40 Today?" His day was ended by going to Hardees for ice cream after prayer meeting.

Brian Petersheim left for Heritage Bible School in Ga. Thurs. morn. with plans to go on to Fla. Sun. to spend a week to 10 days with his parents, Sam Petersheims. Those of In. attending Heritage Bible School for 3 weeks are Leroy Miller & Doug Helmuth, and Regina Petersheim is attending 6 weeks.

Darrel Miller also left for Texas Thurs. morn. While he's gone his cousin Elaine Miller (Edw. F.'s) of Kalona, Iowa, is here helping Wanda care for his 3 little ones.

Duane & Irene Kuhns took the rest of Bill & Ruth Yoder's belongings to Fla. last week, returning home Sat. eve.

Levi Herschbergers, Bish. Henry Millers, Mrs. Ida Otto & Mrs. Edna Miller were all to Ind. last week to visit their uncles Wm. Bontrager, Colon, Mi., Eli & Levi Bontrager & the Levi Grabers, an aunt, all of northern Ind.

Dave & Dawn Kuhns were to Ohio over the weekend for a wedding.

Wilma Herschberger (Sams) is at Faith Mission, Va. helping in the Kenneth Kuhns home. On Jan. 21st they were blessed with a 10 lb. Titus Omer. The Mrs. has had some complications set in and also has a virus.

Titus' grandparents are Omer & Verna Kuhns, Arthur, and Mrs. Eli Gingrich, Sullivan; great-grandparents are Dan & Fannie Kauffman and Mrs. Sadie Kuhns, both Arthur.

Ruben Millers & dau. Becky also went to Fla. last week to visit their dau. Sylvia.

Edgar & Mary Petersheim

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS**Pinecraft, Florida**

Jan. 29--Is foggy and humid. The past week was nice with warm days.

Delmar Martins, Karuna Davis family and Carol Martin returned home to Ill. Wed. a.m. They had ideal weather while here.

Delmar Martin and wife, also Herman Hostetler, Jr. and wife were supper guests Mon. eve. at Mrs. Delmar's (Ruthies) aunt and uncle, the Ike Zooks of Pa. They are in Fla. for the winter.

Paul Stauffer and wife of Ephrata, Pa., also Melvin Gehman and wife of Pa. came to Pinecraft last Wed. and are rooming at Melvin Yoder's.

Kenneth Kennells received word Tues. of the death of Emilie's Aunt Pheobe (Eigsti) Hostetler of Eureka, Ill. The funeral was Fri. a.m. at the Metamora Menn. Church.

Charles Headings, wife and children of Muscoda, Wi. spent a short while in Fla., staying with Carrie Eash, an aunt of Charles. They left for home Sat.

Willie Frys received word of the sudden death of their son's wife (Mrs. Andy Miller) of Garnett, Ks. She was 41 years old, leaves a husband and 11 children, the youngest a 3-week-old. Willies left as soon as they could get ready, not planning to return to Fla.

Lyle Kennell and wife of Benson, Ill. came to his folks', the Art Kennells, yesterday for a short stay.

The Illinois reunion was Sat. at Palm Grove fellowship hall. One hundred and ten attended with a carry-in dinner.

Bro. Paul Kandel of Ohio had preaching services at Tourist Menn. Church yesterday a.m. and Bro. Ervin Miller the eve. services. Ervin and wife are also from Ohio, presently staying in his folks', the Pre. Mahlon Miller's house. Mahlon and wife Gertie are both deceased. Ervins are helping to get the house cleaned and ready to sell.

Reuben and I, also Nelson Yoder, wife and 2 little girls were invited to son Kenneths' for pizza supper, pie and ice cream to help us celebrate our 58th wedding ann., which was Sat.

The programs are out for the 2 weeks of meetings at Tourist church starting Feb. 5th. Bro. Christian Diener of Pa. is to be the evangelist and Wm. McGrath for Bible study, which will be the second week. Mrs. Reuben Kennell

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Feb. 1--The last 4 days have been just beautiful, so spring-like.

Velvon Schrock has been out of intensive care now for a week. Seems to improve steadily. Can talk some now. Most of it is understandable but some isn't. Consciousness still comes and goes.

Those visiting in Bloomfield, Ia. over the weekend were John Earl and Barbara Sue Kuhns and several students of Westside School (where Barbara Sue teaches) accompanied them to spend time with their teacher's family. They were Obey and Daniel Gingerich (Leroy), Richard and Dewayne Jess (Omer), Marcus Kauffman (Ben). Also Leroy and Emma Gingerich and Mrs. Eli J. Gingerich.

William Ottos and Mrs. Jake Hel-muth are in Canada presently for hernia operations.

Mrs. John Schrock (Lizzie) is gradually losing out. Is in bed most of the time and talks very weak.

My mother, Mrs. Jacob Plank (Lizzie) also had a sick spell last week, that left here in a weakened condition.

Births: Jan. 11, a dau. to Clyde and Treva Schlabach, name Cynthia Nicole. Grands are Willard Schlabachs and Eli C. Hershberger.

Jan. 11, a dau. to Edwin and Ella Kaufman, named Carrie Eileen. Weight 2½ lb. and needs a longer hosp. stay. Grandparents are Felty Kaufmans and Monroe Gingerichs of Jamesport, Mo.

Jan. 19, a dau. to Elva Jay and Leona Mast named Magdalena. After 7 boys (2 died in infancy) the little Miss is most welcome. Grandparents are Wm. A. Masts and Mrs. Eli J. Gingerich.

Jan. 15, a son to John Henry and Carolyn Schrock named Marlin. Grandparents are Henry M. Schrock and Morris Gingerichs.

Jan. 20, a dau. to Howard and Clara Mae Miller named Denise Elaine. Grands are Dannie D. Millers and Menno D. Millers. Great-grandparents are Bish. Dan Millers, Alvin Planks, Dannie A. Millers and Mrs. Lena Plank.

Jan. 30, a dau. (their first child) to Johnnie and Carol Gingerich named Martha. Grandparents are Mrs. Eli J. Gingerich and Edwin Yoders are grands for the first time. Great-grandpa is Jerry S. Yoder.

Jerry N. Yoder of Wellman, Ia. has been in the area this week visiting his bros. and sis., also made calls at his uncles' and aunts'.

Dan G. Kaufman had a tumble outside several weeks ago and injured his back. Was unable to get around for awhile but is going better.

Sat. Dan Fannie fell when she was getting out of bed and now her left side is sore, possibly cracked a rib. She has no desire to eat and is steadily losing weight. Mrs. Andy Jess

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Feb. 1--The weather is very spring-like. We are having showers this morning. "January thaws freeze the February dogs" is what my mother used to say, so maybe there is cold in store for us.

Mrs. Jonas (Fannie) Stutzman is not able to go to church anymore, although she had gone to church for a long time after she had Parkinson's disease. I understand she is alert and knows what is going on. Her address is: R.R. 2, Box 126, Tuscola, Il. 61953. She lives with her 2 daughters, Christina and Katherine in Bourbon. Her son Reuben lives nearby.

Amzy Kaufmans and son Davids, with Gary Kuhns as driver of mobile home, are traveling to Oklahoma visiting relatives and on to Arizona. Then to San Diego, Cal. to visit Amzy Emma's sister. They expect to be gone 3 weeks.

Velvon Schrock is improving slowly and his memory is slowly coming back. One day they had a frolic to haul manure and shell corn and do other things to help Jonas and Mikel since Velvon is in the hospital.

A son of William Otto was hit by a car last Sunday evening. I trust the Arthur, Il. scribe will cover it with the details.

Mrs. Edwin N. Schrock

SULLIVAN ILLINOIS

Jan. 30--The weather doesn't seem like Jan., but had a snow blizzard Thur. Friday was so nice the snow was mostly gone again by evening.

Jonathan Creek Church was well attended Sun. at Levi Schrock's. It was for their dau. Erma, the Eli L. Schrocks. To be at Wilmer Otto's next. The visiting ministers were Bish. Amos Ottos, Min. Harvey Chupps and Erwin Millers. Eli's grandparents, Christ Herschbergers and Mrs. (Levi) Clara Schrock were among those attending, also quite a few others.

I don't know if I dare write who went to Bloomfield, Iowa this time or not, as 2 weeks ago Barbara Sue Kuhns was here on Fri. morn. telling me she and her bro. John Earl were going that afternoon and I didn't find out they didn't go till Sun. But was told they were ready to go but couldn't as the load was too full to even take a box along. But Leroy Gingeriches and his mother Fannie went for the weekend and took John and Barbara Sue along. Hope that's right this time.

Eli Stutzmans attended the Omar Miller church Sun. at Ervin J. Schrock's, then came on over after church and had supper with me. Then after supper the Perry Hochstetlers also came.

The last reports were that Velvon Schrock is gaining nicely and is able to eat 3 meals a day.

After losing two little boy babies, the Elva Masts welcome baby girl No. 1 to their home; grands are Wm. Masts and Mrs. (Eli) Fannie Gingerich.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

TAMPICO, ILLINOIS

Feb. 1--The community was shocked on the evening of Jan. 18 to hear of Donald Heading's accident. Donald, 20, and his father Dan and bro. Duane were putting a new roof on Joe Kropf's barn across the corner from the Fairfield Cemetery. The barn has a lean-to on both sides with eaves 9 or 10 ft. from the ground. Having finished for the day, the boys slid down the roof and jumped off. Duane slid first and got along fine, but as Donald got to the edge of the roof his feet caught and threw him headfirst to the ground. He hit his head on the ground, breaking his neck. The Manlius ambulance was called and he was taken to Princeton Hosp. After X-rays there he was taken to St. Francis Hosp. in Peoria by helicopter. The 4th and 6th vertebrae were fractured and the 5th crushed. Pins were put into his head to hold his neck rigid and he was put in traction. His bed slowly tilted from side to side to help prevent pneumonia.

Donald had surgery Jan. 26th. A large percentage of the 5th vertebra was removed and a steel plate and bone from the bone bank were used to fuse the 3 vertebrae together. He is mostly paralyzed from the armpits down and cannot move his arms, hands or legs. His involuntary breathing nerves were damaged and he has help breathing.

The family has received some encouragement from occasional movements or feelings which Donald has experienced, and from visiting with other patients or their families who have overcome some of their handicaps, in spite of great odds. Their home address is Rt. 1, Box 188, Tampico, Ill. 61283.

Stanely Shrocks traveled to Buffalo, Mo. Jan. 20. On the 26th he was admitted to Cox Medical Center in Springfield, Mo. and given a shock treatment to establish a regular heart-beat. He was shocked 4 times till they had success. With the exception of a few brief moments, his heart has been regular since. They chose to attend the Miller-Blosser wedding at Buffalo, Mo. last evening before coming home.

Visitors in church on Jan. 21 were Eugene Kropfs and Roy Kropfs of Sedalia, Mo. and Ray Hostetlers of Nashville.

Mrs. Anna Shrock, Victor Shrocks, Edwin Blosser, Troy Shrocks, Joseph Garretsons, Raymond Kauffmans and Earl Shrocks attended the funeral of Jacob, 14-yr.-old son of Ervin and Rosemary Kropf at Sedalia, Mo. Jacob had open heart surgery at Rochester, Minn. 2 years ago.

Wayne Cooper, 53, passed away Jan. 24 after battling cancer. He was a member of the Tampico volunteer fire dept. for 33 years and was fire chief for 30 years and fire instructor for 17 years, having more training than anyone on the Rock Falls or Sterling fire depts. He owned and operated Wayne's Electric for over 25 years. After the funeral the casket was hauled to the cemetery (2 blocks) on top of one of the fire trucks. The 8 pallbearers were firemen, who also rode on the truck. Twenty-three fire and ambulance personnel walked behind the fire truck to the cemetery 3 abreast. After the service at the cemetery, the minister announced that the firemen would like to give one more token of respect. He asked the audience to remain standing in their places while the firemen blew their horn. A fire truck parked at the edge of the cemetery blew its siren for 5 swells.

It is 4½ years since his first wife passed away with cancer. He had remarried.

This area had quite a snowstorm Jan. 25. Loyal Kropfs had started early for the funeral at Sedalia, Mo., but the storm was severe enough that they turned around and came home. Many vehicles were in the ditch. Schools were closed.

Visitors in church Sun. were Marvin Kropfs and some of Eugene Kropfs' children of Sedalia, Mo.

Mrs. Vernon (Gladys) Miller of Goshen, Ind. was an overnight guest at Laurence Kropfs' Sat. night.

Wayne Hostetlers and Mrs. Laurence (Ada) Kropf spent Tues. and Wed. at Kalona, Ia.

Raymond Kauffmans went to Muscoda, Wisc. Sun. after church. Simon Kropfs returned with them. They wanted to visit Joe Kropf. They stopped in here a bit Tues. p.m.

Joe Kropf is about the same. He was taken to the emergency room at Princeton Hosp. Sat. morning to change his stomach tube. It was slipping in too far and causing discomfort.

Barbara Kauffman misstepped and hurt her knee Tues. Ernest Blosser

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Feb. 6--Cloudy says most of our weather. Had a coat of snow Sun., but was soon all gone.

The Lester Gingeriches had a sad awakening yesterday morning when they found their 4-year-old son had passed away sometime after 2 o'clock. They had given him some medicine for his cough at 2.

I'll give a bit of history of my memories of 64 years ago. Feb. 4 was 64 years that my dad's youngest sister was married to Perry Gingerich at Hazleton, Iowa. They lived at Hazleton till Dec. of 1936 when they with his bro. Chester, moved to Portland, In. I was 20 years old at that time and they needed help to care for the children while traveling on the train, so I went along and was there nearly 4 weeks when my dad came in with Isaac Gingerich's truck, so I came back home.

Then in 1952 after my parents, Jonas and Sarah (Yoder) Bornatreger had both passed away, I went to (Jay County) Portland, Ind. and spent a few years working around there till Dec. of 1954 when Perrys moved to Medford, Wi. I went along with intentions of going back to Iowa, but I never got there.

Then in Nov. of 1972 Joe J. Hochstetler came to Wi. and wanted me to come to Ill. and live with him, so I did. Perrys lived in Ind. 18 years then in Wi. 18 years. Now if they live till Dec. it will be 18 years that they moved to Wadena, Mn. Anna is my aunt and Perry, born a Hochstetler, was a first cousin to Joe. After the death of his mother, Perry was adopted by his aunt, Mrs. Isaac Gingerich, along with his bro. Chester and sister Mattie, both deceased.

In the fall of 1959 I started writing for *The Budget*.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

ANNA, ILLINOIS**Mt. Pleasant Congregation**

Feb. 7--Richard and Ruth Weaver had their 4th child, 3rd son Jan. 27th and named him LaRoy Alan.

Min. Phares Martin flew to Farmington, New Mexico Feb. 2 for a Lamp & Light Board Meeting.

Ivan Goods went to Pa. Feb. 2 for the funeral of Philip Hoover who died of cancer.

Harvey and Laura Weaver plan to be cooks at Numidia Feb. 25-March 16.

Gerald Burkholders of Orchardville visited Mt. Pleasant Church Feb. 4.

Marvin Weaver

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ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Pleasant View Church

Feb. 6--We had a surprise Sun. morn. when the ground was covered with snow. It was melted by noon.

Visitors in church Sun. were Terry Yoder of Goshen, Ind., also Alva Millers of Wis., coming for Edward Miller (Edna) and Ruth Diener's (Levi) wedding which was Sat. at the Arthur Methodist Church. The reception, was at the Arthur Menn. School.

A number of men of our congregation and a few of Trinity Fellowship were to Jacksonville Prison Sun. for services. This program is sponsored by the Gospel Echoes of Goshen, Ind.

The Gospel Echoes Harvest Team plans to sing at the Sunnyside Menn. Church this Wed. evening.

Today we picked up son Brian and Edgar's mother, Mrs. Sam Petersheim, at the Champaign Airport. Brian's returning home from a 10-day vacation in Fla. and Mrs. Petersheim came to visit her dau., Mrs. Viola Gingerich, who entered the Garman hospital (Tuscola) Jan. 25th. This Mon., Feb. 5th, she was moved to Champaign for further tests. She's been suffering pain from her head to the bottom of her feet. At this time they still haven't found the cause of her pain.

Joe Yoders will be leaving for Phoenix, Ariz. Wed. morn. to visit the Mrs'. sister, Cora Otto.

Edgar & Mary Petersheim

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Feb. 9--The weather remains mild and spring-like. I saw a neighbor in his field with an endgate seeder one morning this week. I guess he was sowing grass seed on his wheat field.

Abe L. Gingerichs, Mrs. Willard Kauffman, Mrs. Levi D. Miller and Mrs. Elmer L. Miller traveled to Garnett, Ks. last week for the funeral of Susan Yoder who passed away suddenly with a blood clot in the lungs.

Mrs. John Lizzie Schrock and Mrs. Anna (Andy) Miller both had a weak spell one night last week. Both in the same night. Lizzie is getting weaker and vomits quite a bit, as she does not eat very much.

Mark and Ruth (Kauffman) Pinson are parents of their first child, a son named Nathan. Joe W. Kauffmans are grandparents.

Johnny and Carol (Yoder) Gingerich are parents of a daughter named Martha. Mrs. Fannie Gingerich and Edwin Yoders are grandparents and Jerry Yoder is great-grandfather.

Lester and Katie Viola (Chupp) Gingerich got up on Mon. morn. and found their 4-year-old son had passed away in the night. He had vomited and it choked him. I understand he had a coughing spell in the night and they were up with him until he slept. He leaves his parents and one sister younger than he. Grandparents are John E. Gingerichs and Ervin Chupps. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Lydia Ann Gingerich, Mrs. Tillie Miller, Joe M. Hostetlers and Menno Chupps. Funeral was held on Wed. at Perry Hochstetlers'. Their address: Rt. 1, Box 96, Arthur, Il. 61911.

Mrs. Edwin Schrock

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS**Pinecraft, Florida**

Feb. 6--We had several light showers the past week & very warm & humid days. We enjoy the cooler days.

David Graber and wife of Marion, Iowa came to Fla. Sat. to visit her folks, also his brother Henry and his step-mother, Mrs. Joe Graber.

The "Katie party" was Wed. afternoon at Katie Mast's home. There were 30 Katies there. They get together every year.

There were several large yard sales in Pinecraft last Thurs. and Fri. Melvin Yoders on Clarinda St. and the children of the Mahlon Millers (deceased) were selling a lot of their belongings. The Miller house is also for sale on Bimini St.

John A. Miller and wife of Mt. Perry, Ohio came Thurs. to attend the wedding of a niece. Norman Miller and wife of Mt. Vernon, Ohio came to attend the same wedding, which was Sat. p.m.

The Iowa reunion was at the Palm Grove fellowship hall Sat. noon with a carry-in dinner.

Wayne Hostetler and wife Mary Ann of Kokomo, Ind., also John Wenger and wife Virginia of Wayland, Iowa are spending a few days in Pinecraft with their folks, the David Hostetlers (Budget scribe), also of Kokomo, Ind. who are

spending awhile in Pinecraft. They all, except David, visited at the writers' yesterday afternoon. Virginia and I had total hip surgery 15 yrs. ago, so have something in common. She had hers redone the past Sept. and is doing fine.

Eli Miller and wife of Ga. and Rufus E. Beachy and wife of Va. and Mrs. Joe Graber visited in the Eli Wagler home Sun. eve. after church.

Arthur Kennell and wife had their 60th anniversary yesterday, the 5th. The court where they live, also some friends and Reuben and I enjoyed a carry-in dinner in the yard to help them celebrate. There were 42 there. They had a beautiful decorated cake served to all.

Mrs. Sam Petersheim and a grandson left this morning via plane for home at Arthur, Ill. after receiving word of the illness of their daughter, who is in the hospital.

The C.P.S. reunion was last evening at Bay Shore fellowship hall with 250 attending, with a carry-in supper and fellowship. Mrs. Reuben Kennell

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Feb. 8--Weatherwise it's mild temp. and some rain Tues. evening.

The community was shocked and saddened Mon. morn. when word was passed around that Wilbur, small son of Lester and Katie Viola (Chupp) Gingerich had passed away in his sleep. He had been up at night around 2:00 to use the bathroom. As he passed his parents' bedroom he shone his flashlight on them and said "I see you Daddy" and went on to his own bed. Little did they realize those would be his last words. At 5:00 when Lesters got up they noticed right away that they didn't hear him breathe and upon checking closer they found life had fled.

Mar. 2 he would have turned 5. One sister, Rosalie (2) also survives. Grandparents are Ervin M. Chupps and John E. Gingerichs. Great-grandparents are Menno Chupps, Joe M. Hostetlers, Mrs. (Emery) Lydia Ann Gingerich and Mrs. (Sam) Tillie Miller. Also 8 aunts and 9 uncles survive.

Funeral and visitation were held at the Perry Hostetler residence. Preaching upstairs was done by Harley Miller (of the home church) and David D.

Schrock. Obituary read by Bish. Abe Gingerich and 90th Psalm read by Lester Hostetler of Kokomo, Ind. In the basement preaching was done by Noah Beachy and Freeman Otto of Kokomo, Ind.

From out-of-state attending were Albert (Red) Nisleys and one of their married daus. and 2 children of Ind., Freeman Ottos and Lester Hostetlers and Mrs. Eli L. Miller from Kokomo, Ind., Mrs. Ervin Beachy and Mrs. Willard Miller from Crofton, Kentucky.

Lester and Katie Viola's address is: Rt. 1, Box 129-A, Arthur, Ill. 61911. Am sure a few lines of cheer and encouragement would be welcome.

Last week they did surgery on Velvon Schrock to fix the bone above his right eye that was broke. Dr. said to see how he gets along from that. Maybe they can think of going home in a week or so.

A son was born to Vernon and Marilyn Yoder on Feb. 5 named Gary. He has 2 little sisters. Grandparents are Milt Yoders and Omer Kuhns. Great-grandparents are Joe D. Yoders, Dan G. Kaufmans and Mrs. (Ben) Sadie Kuhns.

Mrs. (Ben) Sadie Kuhns has been spending some time at her dau., Mrs. (Harvey) Mary Miller's. She had been sick with the flu. Mrs. Andy Jess

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Feb. 13--The weather remains mild, although predictions are for colder weather and rain or snow. The neighborhood men are plowing.

Mrs. Fannie Beachy will be 103 years old on Feb. 27. She is able to work on her quilts. She is very hard of hearing. They have set up a microphone and it works pretty good to visit with her.

The twins that were born to Eli and Doris (Yoder) Gingerich on Feb. 9 have been named Lillie Lynette and Julie Janette. Howard Yoders and Mrs. Sovilla Gingerich are grandparents. Henry R. Yoders are great-grandparents.

Lonnie Yoders, Sam Schrock, Fred D. Schrock traveled to Ind. to visit John Yoder Jr. at his daughter's, the Christy Yoders' near LaGrange. Also going along were Ezra Planks to visit their dau., the Richard Millers. Mrs. Howard Yoder went to visit the new grandbaby at Leon Yoders', her son.

Albert Schrock, Shishewana, In. and Eli L. Millers from Kokomo, In. were among the out-of-state people that were here for the baptismal services at Merle Gingerich's in Eli Schlabach District, where Darrel Schrock (Albert) and Homer Jay Miller (Eli L.) and Lisa Miller (Elmer) and Mary Plank (Elmer) were baptized.

Baptismal services were held at Valentine Kaufmans' in David Beachy District where Freeman Miller (Benny), Alton Mast (Levi), David Stutzman (Clarence) and Dorothy Miller (Andy) were baptized.

Herbert Miller (Gideon), 20, was in the hospital last week to regulate his insulin as he has to take shots. His address: Rt. 2, Box C-23, Arthur, Il. 61911.

Elsie Beachy (Jake) is spending this week in the parental Jake Beachy home in Ludington, Mi. Mrs. Valentine Kaufman is taking over teaching duties until Elsie gets back. She teaches at Okaw Valley School.

Bish. Amos Otto has not been too well and has had gallbladder surgery and they removed some stones. He is getting along well. His address: Rt. 1, Box 171-A, Arthur, Il. 61911.

Mrs. Edwin N. Schrock

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Pinecraft, Florida

Feb. 13--We had a nice 1 1/4" rain early Sun. morning which we were indeed glad for. The citrus trees are blooming. They give off an agreeable sweet fragrance.

Pete Graber and wife are now home from the hosp. after being laid up for sometime from an accident near Tampa, Fla. They both were injured quite bad.

Mrs. Dan Beachy is still in the hosp. here after having some breathing problems. She has emphysema.

Bro. Wm. McGrath of Minerva, Oh. is having Bible study every morning this week, and Bro. Christian Deiner of Pa. is the evangelist having evening services all this week.

Bro. John Risser of Va. held revival services every evening the past week at Sarasota Menn., Sun. evening being the last.

Ernie Kropf, son of our nephew Earl Kropfs of Ore., visited us Tues. afternoon, also Ivis Sutter of Middlebury, Ind., Lavern Swartz, wife Marcella and son Dan of Lake Odessa, Mich. visited us Wed. afternoon. Other visitors the past week were Dan Hochstetler and wife Katie of Topeka, Ind., Cornelius Miller and wife Polly of Ind., Alvin Miller and wife Lydia Mae, Ind., Joni Miller and wife Martha of Oakland, Md., Henry Horst and wife Vera of Milverton, Ont., Ray Meuller and wife of Quincy, Ill. (the parents of our next door neighbors in Ill.). They are staying with Mrs. Meuller's sis. of Sun City, Fla.

Ora W. Mast and wife of Middlebury, Ind. came to visit her mother Mrs. Dan Glick of Pinecraft.

Joe Bontreger and wife of Mio, Mich. are also vacationing in Pinecraft. Also Allen Stoltzfus and wife of Ind.

We took Lavern Swartz and wife, Ivis Sutter, Bert Troyer and wife to Mrs. Appleton's to dinner Sat. Laverns are leaving for home today. Ivis plans to stay a few days yet.

The Gospel Express gave a program at the Pinecraft Park Sat. afternoon. A barbecue chicken dinner was at noon. They had a large crowd together.

Eli Otto received word today of the death of his bro. in Ind.

We went to the airport today to meet our granddau. Valerie Kennell (Leonards). The little girl she babysits for also came along. She is very close to Valerie, as she has cared for her ever since she was 3 weeks old. Mrs. Reuben Kennell

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Feb. 15--Yest. it rained all day and froze as it came. Trees and grass were loaded with ice, but sidewalks and roads were clear. Rained more during the night and warmed up enough that the ice fell off the trees.

I failed to mention of those who went to Kansas for the funeral of Mrs. Andy Miller here several weeks ago. They were Abe L. Gingerichs, Mrs. Elmer Miller and Mrs. Levi D. Miller.

Also of the accident that took place on the corner 3/4 mile east of here, where Steven Otto (Wm.) was involved. I don't know details, but the buggy rolled over twice and the horse had a broken leg and was shot by the police on the scene.

Velvon Schrock has returned home from the hospital since last Thursday.

Ervin S. Kauffmans, John A. Gingerichs, Andy A. Schrock, with Joe L. Yoders as drivers, are on a trip westward making stops along the way. Main stop was at Phoenix, Az. to visit relatives.

Bert Hostetlers, Jerry S., Kathryn and Jerry Jr. Yoder plan to leave for Ohio Fri. morning to visit relatives.

Mrs. John Schrock Lizzie is gradually losing out. She is unable to swallow her pills or water anymore.

Bish. Amos Otto had surgery last Thurs. to remove his gallbladder. He is still in the hospital.

Elaine, 18-month-old dau. of LaMar Yoders, was in the hospital 3-4 days with a serious case of pneumonia.

Baptismal services were held Sun., the 11th in Eli Schlabach dist. for Darrell Schrock (Albert, Ind.), Homer Miller (Eli, Kokomo), Mary Plank (Elmer), Lisa Miller (Elmer). Also in David Beachy dist. for Freeman Miller (Ben S.), Alton Mast (Levi), David Stutzman (Clarence) and Dorothy Miller (Andy D.).

Births: A son named Nathan was born Feb. 1 to Mark and Ruth Ann Pinson. Grandparents are Joe W. Kauffmans.

Also a dau. named Kathryn born on Feb. 9th to David and Marilyn Otto. Grands are Joe W. Kauffmans and Mrs. Jonas Otto.

Twin daus. were born on Feb. 9th to Eli and Doris Gingerich named Julie Janette and Lillie Lynette. Julie weighed in at 7 lbs. and Lillie at 6 1/2 lbs. One had some breathing problems so was taken to the hospital to be checked out and was okay. They have 3 sisters and 4 brothers. Grandparents are Howard Yoders and Mrs. (Ben) Sovilla Gingerich.

Feb. 27 will be the 103rd birthday for Mrs. (Sam) Fannie Beachy and by Oct. 9th her dau. Menno Herschberger Esther will have her 80th birthday. Then Fannie will have 3 living children age 80 and above. Mrs. Dan B. Yoder Lovina is 83 and Noah will be 82 by June 12. I'm wondering if anyone in Budgetland could beat that record.

Martin, son of Marvin A. Millers, broke his arm when the horse fell that he was riding.

Ben M. Diener was teacher this past term at the Miller German school with 7 boys and 8 girls as students.

Mrs. Andy Jess

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Pleasant View

Feb. 12--Our weather continues to be so spring-like you almost forget it's Feb.

Duane and Irene Kuhns are on a 3-week western trip taking David Kauffmans and Amzy Kauffmans with them with intentions of visiting Mrs. Amzy's relatives, going as far as Calif.

Arnie Diener was to Harrison, Ark. (Hillcrest) to visit Teresa Petersheim over the weekend. Mel Yoders were also missing Sun., having gone to Calif. to Rosie's dr. for a checkup. Their plans were to be in Phoenix, Arz. Sun.

Visitors in church Sun. were Caroline Miller (Alvin), Crossville, Tenn. visiting her cousins Darrel and Wanda Miller and Mrs. Howard Kuhns. Another special visitor was Ruth Friesen of Lott, Texas. Ruth and Darrel Miller of here have chosen April 6th for their wedding day at Texas. Glen Miller and son Kevin were also in church, bringing a load from Goshen, Ind.

Visitors at Trinity Fellowship Sun. morn. were Perry and Lydia Miller of Crossville, coming to visit the Mrs'. fam., the Abe Gingerichs. Kenny Kuhns and 2 sons and a worker of Faith Mission were also there from Va. bringing Wilma Herschberger (Sams) home who had been helping in the Kuhns home. Mrs. Kuhns is gaining enough she's able to do her own work again.

Menno Kuhns and daug. Irene and Edna left for Calvary Bible School, Ark. Sat. Irene will be the nurse and Edna will help in the kitchen.

Viola Gingerich still remains in the hospital in Champaign. After nearly 2 weeks of tests it was discovered she has a tumor in the back of her head and neck area. They want to do a biopsy before deciding what to do.

Edgar & Mary Petersheim

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Feb. 13--Cloudy and windy, but not very cold. Spring flowers are coming up and grass is starting to green up.

Jonathan Creek Church was quite well attended Sun. at Wilmer Ottos'. Church to be at Omer Kuhns' next, baptismal services.

Bish. Amos Otto had gallstone surgery last week and reports are he is coming along good. Velvon Schrock came home from his 4-week stay at the hospital and coming along o.k.

Sorry I forgot to mention that little Martha came to be with Jonathan Gingerichs; grands are Edwin Yoders and Mrs. (Eli) Fannie Gingerich. Jerry Yoder is great-grandfather.

The big news this week is the twins that came to Eli W. and Doris (Yoder) Gingerich. They were named Julie Jenette and Lillie Lynette; grandparents are Howard Yoders and Mrs. (Ben) Sovilla Gingerich. Henry R. Yoders and Mrs. Mary Ann Beachy are greats.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Feb. 22--The weather is wet and muddy after a few mild and sunny days. The wheat fields are getting green. Grass is pushing.

Mary Ann and Lavon Miller from Kokomo, In. spent the weekend in the Paul J. Stutzman home with their sister, Lillian. They attended church at Edwin Schrock's.

Ray Chupps, Kokomo, In. spent the weekend with homefolks, Floyd Chupps and attended church at Andrew Gingerich's in Amos Otto District where Ray's sister Mary Ann Chupp got baptized along with Wilma Kauffman (Ben) and Wilma Chupp (Harvey). They, with the Miller children above, returned home Sunday evening.

Ray Schwartzes and Judy, Daniel Miller, David Lehmans, Alfred Millers, Wilson Yoders, Norman Chupps from Nappanee, In. were in the area visiting their son and brother, David Schwartz. They attended church at Edwin Schrock's. They returned home on Sunday. They also visited Mrs. Ray's sister, the Glen Masts of Arthur.

Stanley Yoders and Mrs. Melvin Miller (Esther), Middlebury, In. were in the area visiting homefolks, Chris Yoders several days this week. The Chris Yoder family got together at Edwin Schrock's Tues. eve. for the occasion. They returned home on Thursday.

Today is the funeral of Mrs. John Schrock (Lizzie), 79. She passed away Mon., Feb 19 after fighting a losing battle with cancer. She leaves 4 sons, Andrew, Milton, Ia.; Reuben and Jonas, Arcola, Il.; Ervin, Arthur, Il.; 3 daughters, Susanna, Mrs. Ben S. Miller, Arcola, Il.; Fannie, Mrs. Menno Hostetler, Milton, Ia.; Gertrude, Mrs. Edward Ray Yoder, Arthur, Il.; one sister, Mrs. Lydia (Levi) Stutzman, Arthur, Il.; 5 brothers, Levi, Jonas & Andrew Yoder of Arthur, Il.; Joe of Arcola, Il.; Enos Yoder, Goshen, Indiana.

Perry and Delores (Schrock) Herschberger named their son Clifford Ray. He was born Feb. 16. Noah Herschbergers and Jonas Schrock are grandparents. Dan G. Kaufmans are great-grandparents.

Eli A. Herschberger spent a day or so in the hospital after he fell on a wagon tongue and broke some ribs. He will be laid up for a while. Address: Rt. 2, Box 55, Arthur, Il. Mrs. Edwin Schrock

ARCOLA, ILLINOIS

Pleasant View Church

Feb. 19--We're enjoying nice sunny weather again after 2 in. rain on Wed. and some ice. This area was without elec. for about 5 hrs. About 40-50 miles north it was much worse with ice and some people were without elec. 3 & 4 days.

Wed., Feb. 14th Joshua Val, 8 lb. 14 oz., came to join the Val and Lydia Mae Marner home. 1 bro. and 3 sisters welcome him. The grandparents are Joe Mulletts of Middlefield, Ohio and Mrs. Katie Marner of Arthur.

Sam Bylers and 3 daus. of Lancaster, Pa. were the visitors in church Sun. They came to visit Allen Millers and the Vernon Schrock fam. Howard Kuhns, Walter Yoders and Harvey Kuhns were to the Arthur Nursing Home Sun. for services.

Mrs. Walter (Sarah Ann) Schrock, who stays at the Arthur Home, fell out of bed, breaking her hip. Mrs. Henry Mast Barbara, who has cancer, seems to be losing out at this time and is on a wheelchair. The church is taking in meals (supper) this week. Her add. is R.R. 1, Box 82, Arthur, 61911.

Bro. Floyd J. Helmuth and son Leonard from Charlotte, Mi. spent the weekend with homefolks. Sat. eve. the Mrs'. fam. were all at Merle Planks' for supper. On Sun. eve. Floyd's fam. were all at Enos Helmuths' for supper. Floyds attended church Sun. at Marvin Dieners' and spent the afternoon with the Mrs'. grandmother, Mrs. Adlia Miller.

Doug Helmuth and Regina Petersheim returned home Sun. eve. after 6 weeks. Bible School at Heritage at Ga.

Mrs. Anna Mae King and 2 daus. arrived Fri. eve. and will return to their home Tues. at Allensville, Pa. They came to visit Anna Mae's sis. who is in the hospital with a tumor on the spinal cord. Viola is at Carle Clinic at this time.

Edgar & Mary Petersheim

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Pinecraft, Fla.

Feb. 20--Beautiful weather. Temp. is in the 60s and climbs to the 80s by afternoon.

The 2 weeks of meetings is now past. Bro. Chris Deiner preached the last message Sun. eve. with a full house. Bro. William Yoder of Daviess Co., Ind., preached at Tourist Church Sun. morn.

Mrs. Dan Beachy (Martha) came home from the hospital Fri. after being there 9 days with breathing problems. She is still on oxygen, but slowly improving.

Florence Bucher was taken to Memorial Hospital Thurs. a.m. with severe pain. X-rays showed a kidney stone. It passed Fri. a.m. She was released in p.m. and doing o.k.

Jane Hodel left for home in Ill. Thurs. via plane to take care of some business. Plans are to return Thurs. morn.

We visited Pete Graber and wife Wed. p.m. Both seem to be improving and happy to be home after being in a hospital in Brooksville, Fla. for some time after serious injuries in a car accident.

Herman Jr. Hostettler and wife left for their home near Tampico, Ill. yesterday. The Aaron Millers of Pa. left for their home this morn. Also the Henry Beachys of Ohio left this morn.

Clayton Zimmerman's home on corner of Fry and Gilbert St. was sold by auction Fri. a.m.

The Christian Day School had their auction Sat. with a large crowd attending.

Dick Moser and wife Erma of Roanoke, Ill. came to visit in our home Sun. afternoon. They wanted to have their granddaughter Trisha Bates for a few days. She is the little girl who came with Valerie. Valerie babysits with her 5 days a week. The mother works in the bank.

Harvey Ramer and wife of New Paris, Ind., Mrs. Paul Martin, Elkhart, Ind., Mrs. Mary E. and Clarence Martin of Goshen, Ind. visited at the writer's yesterday afternoon.

There was a hymn sing last eve. on the patio and drive at Felty Yoder's with a large crowd attending.

Joni Miller and wife and his grandson Larry Nisley visited at the writer's Sun. afternoon. They then went to the airport Sun. eve. to see Larry off via plane when he left for Lancaster, Pa. where he is employed. His work sent him to Fla. on business. He rented a car here to get around.

Mrs. Reuben Kennell

TAMPICO, ILLINOIS

Feb. 23--Don Hostetters returned home from their trip to Georgia and Florida on Feb. 12.

Herman Hostetler Sr., Leroy Hostetters and John Hostetters attended the wedding of Lester Kempf and Judith Hostetler at Sedalia, Mo. on Feb. 14.

Those from here attending the school meeting at Sedalia, Mo. on Feb. 16 were Norman Hostetters, Victor Shrocks, Raymond Kauffmans, teachers Londa Garretson and Brenda Blosser and Sandra Garretson.

About 10 in. of snow fell Feb. 15, with a lot of wind.

A cute little dishwasher arrived in the home of Rex and Cheryl Hostetler. She was born Feb. 16, 7 lbs. 11½ oz., 20 in. long and was named Rachel Joy. She has 3 brothers and 2 sisters. Paternal grandparents are Dan and Merlene Hostetler. Maternal grandparents are Joseph and Mabel Garretson. Great-grands are Amos and Ruth Hostetler, Vinnie Hostetler and Mary Hostetler.

Several times last week Joe Kropf had occasions when he was very low. The children not living in this community all came home to see him last week or this week, but noot all at the same time. Joe is better again, but hasn't bounced back to the same level of health as before.

Donald Headings was running a temperature this week possibly due to some pneumonia, and is on the ventilator again. He has been moved from Special Care to Intermediate Care, and has feeling in one arm to the wrist, and the other arm to within 2 in. of the wrist.

Ruth Swartzentruber and 3 of her children of Buffalo, Mo. and Martha Shrock of Dixon, Mo. visited Donald this week.

My wife, Ruth, hasn't been feeling as well lately. We went to Springfield, Mo. to do some doctoring. Also visited at Buffalo, Mo. and Green Forest, Ark. We left Feb. 9 and returned Feb. 21. Ruth is feeling better, but not on top yet. We also stopped at Sedalia, Mo. overnight on the way home.

Wayne Hostetters returned home from their trip to Reno, Nevada, Oregon and Arizona on Monday.

Visitors in church Sunday were Roger Kropf, Dale Schrocks and some of Eugene Kropfs' children of Sedalia, Mo., Mrs. Willard Kropf, Nashville, Ark. and Jason Kropf, Green Forest, Ark. Some of the family stayed with Joe during church.

Tom White spoke at the church Wed. evening, telling of his experiences as a prisoner in Cuba. He was travelling with Mose Gingerich.

H.W. Hostetters returned from their trip to Ky. and Fla. on Tues.

Larrys and Raymond Hostetters of Sedalia, Mo. arrived in this community Thursday evening. Ernest Blosser

ARTHUR, ILLINOIS

Feb. 22--Earlier this week we had some very beautiful days, but is changed early this morn. when it started raining and has rained nonstop since. Dredge ditches are filling up and water standing around in low places.

Today is the funeral of Mrs. (John) Lizzie Schrock. She peacefully passed away Mon. eve. at 5:00, Feb. 19, age 79 yrs., 2 mos. & 10 days. Surviving are 4 sons, Andrew of Iowa; Reuben, Jonas and Ervin, all of Arthur; 3 daus., Susanna (Mrs. Ben S. Miller) Arthur; Fannie (Mrs. Menno Hostetler) Iowa; and Gertie (Mrs. Edward Ray Yoder) also of Arthur; 60 grandchildren; 113 great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Lydia (Mrs. Levi Stutzman); 5 bros., Levi, Joe, Jonas and Andy, all of Arthur area; and Enos of Ind.

Her husband John and 1 son, Joseph, 1 grandchild, 9 great-grandchildren, her parents, David and Mattie Yoder and 3 sisters, Annie (Mrs. Chris Schrock), Fannie (deaf), Gertrude (Mrs. Noah Schrock) all preceded her in death. Burial will be in Yoder Cemetery. Pallbearers are Ivan Plank, Willard O. Miller, Jake A. Miller and Omer Ray Otto.

My mother, Mrs. (Jacob) Lizzie Plank is not well at all. Coughs a lot, but dr. thinks her lungs are clear. Is in bed most all the time.

Yest. the footer was cemented for the new shop to be put up here on this place

east of our house. Building will be 40 x 100 and will house a formica top business, a branch of F & B Woodworking.

Births are a son Feb. 16 to Perry and Deloris Herschberger named Clifford Ray. He has 2 sisters and 1 bro. Grandparents are Noah Hershbergers and Jonas J. Schrock. Great-grandparents are Dan G. Kaufmans and Mrs. (John) Lizzie Schrock mentioned above, who passed away 3 days later.

Also a son to Richard and Velma Hostetler named Brian Andrew. Grandparents are Andy J. Hostetlers and Jacob W. Miller. Great-grandparents are Joe M. Hostetlers, Mrs. (Dan) Anna Chupp, Bish. David Beachys and Mrs. (Wm.) Katie Ann Miller. Mrs. Andy Jess

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Feb. 20--We had mist, rain and also a coat of ice on Thur. of last week, but the sun came out again on Sat.

Northeast Fairbank dist. church was at Robert L. Hochstetlers' Sun. To be there again next time for Levis. Pre. Dannie Ottos and Dea. Chrissie L. Yoders were visiting ministers. Bish. Steve Kaufman was missing, as he was to baptismal church at Andrew Gingerichs' in the Amos Otto dist. Those that were to be baptized were Wilma Kaufman (Ben), Wilma Chupp (Pre. Harvey) and Mary Anna Chupp (Floyds).

Mrs. (Wm. G.) Katie Ann Miller wasn't very good lately. She is an Alzheimer's disease victim. Heard Mrs. (John) Lizzie Schrock talked a little again, but is a cancer victim and no hopes to recovery.

Dennis Miller, who was so badly hurt and in the hospital so long, is back in his shop again.

Velvon Schrock is slowly gaining. They said Sun. he as yet can't get sentences together.

Mrs. Joe J. Hochstetler

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